

Comments about 05-235
To Whom It May Concern:

Having followed the comments by the League and the FCC in my weekly e-mail from ARRL, and from reading CQ & QST magazines, I agree with the FCC: *"We believe that an individual's ability to demonstrate increased Morse code proficiency is not necessarily indicative of that individual's ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art."*

I like CW and it was a three year challenge for me to get to the point that I could pass the 5 WPM code test in order to get my Novice license. Somehow, eliminating the code as a requirement is emotional for me. It makes me feel like the FCC is throwing away the effort I put into this.... but that is not what is being done. I know that now, thanks to all of the other comments made. CW is a mode of communication and as long as it is, I can use my long earned skills. I'm sure the ARRL will come up with the means to keep the "mode" interesting and challenging. I look forward to the change and I am glad I am allowed to be part of the decision making process.

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